07 LC 29 2519

House Bill 121

By: Representatives Willard of the 49th, Lane of the 167th, Hatfield of the 177th, Bruce of the 64th, Mills of the 25th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 2 relating to property and persons subject to garnishment, so as to change certain provisions
- 3 relating to service of summons of garnishment upon corporations; to provide for related
- 4 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 8 property and persons subject to garnishment, is amended by revising Code Section 18-4-23,
- 9 relating to service of summons of garnishment upon corporations, as follows:
- 10 "18-4-23.

5

- 11 (a) Service of a summons of continuing garnishment shall be made by serving the agent in
- charge of the office or other place of business where the defendant is employed. In the event
- that such service cannot be made, then service of a summons of continuing garnishment upon
- 14 the agent in charge of either the registered office or the principal place of business of a
- corporation shall be sufficient made.
- 16 (b) Service of a summons of garnishment that is noncontinuing shall be made by serving a
- 17 <u>summons of garnishment upon the agent in charge of either the registered office or the</u>
- principal place of business of a corporation.
- 19 (c) The methods of service provided for in this Code section shall be the only means
- 20 <u>available for service of a summons of continuing garnishment or service of a summons of</u>
- 21 garnishment that is noncontinuing upon a corporation incorporated or domesticated under
- 22 the laws of this state or a foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state."

23 SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.